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Dear Ms. Goldstein:

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Newark Housing Authority (NHA) and Newark Mayor Sharpe James, it is my honor and pleasure to invite you to the implosion of three of the seven buildings at the Stella Wright Homes on Saturday, April 27, 2002, at 9 A.M.

Stella Wright Homes is the last remaining family public high-rise complex in the city and demolition will conclude the goal to replace nonviable high-rise buildings with appropriately designed townhouses that improve the quality of life and engender a sense of community pride among residents.

The complex is bounded by Muhammad Ali Avenue (south) and Montgomery Street (north), Prince (west) and Barclay (east) Streets. For your convenience and safety, we will have a tent located on Irvine Turner Boulevard, between 17th and 18th Avenues. Please note that the implosion is scheduled for 9 A.M. sharp. Therefore, we advise that you arrive at least 45 minutes prior to the implosion because streets will be blocked off in the area.

We hope that your schedule will permit you to join us at this penultimate event, which will pave the way for the development of a \$200 million HOPE VI project. That program will encompass mixed-income rental and home ownership housing units, new community facilities and infrastructure and commercial opportunities that will revitalize a major part of the city's Central Ward.

We look forward to seeing you on April 27th.

Sincerely,

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